



TRAFFIC DEPARTMENT

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OFFICE ORDER

The Board of Trustees of PPT vide **Agenda Item No.30(05)/2015-16 & Resolution No. 243/2015-16** in the **Meeting held on 29.02.2016** have resolved to approve the Priority Berthing for Dry Bulk Cargo vessels with MGT under Priority Berthing Scheme for the FY-2016-17 as follows:-

- (i) To continue with the Berth Reservation Scheme (hereinafter referred as PBS) on submission of Bank Guarantee (BG) towards Minimum Guaranteed Tonnage [MGT] for the year 2016-17. (i.e w.e.f 01.04.2016 to 31.03.2017) in respect of all import/export dry bulk cargo with MGT of 2 MMT per annum.
- (ii) The participants have to apply to the Port giving their willingness to participate in the PBS on payment of MGT amount and they will be called MGT providers and will have to enrol themselves before 31.03.2016.

An MGT provider under the scheme will have to furnish an irrevocable Bank Guarantee [BG] for an amount equivalent to the wharfage charges for 2 MMT on principal commodity expected to be handled for the FY 2016-17 by 31.03.2016.

- (iii) The BG is to be drawn in favour of FA & CAO, PPT on any scheduled banks operating at Paradip. In case the issuing bank does not have a branch at Paradip, it has to be ensured that the B.G can be encashed at the nearest possible branch of the Bank to Paradip as per PPT format.
- (iv) Allotment of berths for berthing of vessels will be on 'first come first serve basis', except for the captive berths and priority berthing for the cargoes like food grain, fertilizer and sugar etc. issued by Gol from time to time. Container vessel will be accorded priority berthing over all other waiting vessels. Besides the above, Multi-Purpose Berth (MPB) is earmarked for handling of coastal cargo.
- (v) Priority berthing of vessels under the PBS will be accorded for all types of import/export dry bulk cargo on payment of irrevocable bank Guarantee (BG) for an amount equivalent to the wharfage charges for MGT.

- (vi) The MGT provider should submit the Bill of Entry/Shipping Bill (wherever required) in respect of all types of dry bulk cargo in the name of importer/exporter to avail the priority berthing under the PBS.
- (vii) Three berths will be reserved for vessels under the PBS irrespective of cargo and draught. Priority berthing charges would be levied only in respect of vessels berthed under priority. While vessels of MGT providers berthed on normal seniority will not be required to pay priority charges, the quantity of same would be reckoned for the purpose of MGT.

Priority berthing of vessels from among the waiting vessels of MGT providers will be considered only if the total number of vessels of MGT providers, which are covered under MGT, at berth is less than three (3) at any point of time. If number of vessels of MGT providers berthed at any point of time is three (3), vessels as per normal seniority will be considered for berthing.

- (viii) In case number of vessels waiting for priority berthing is more, the vessels anchoring time will be taken in to account and berthing will be provided on first come first serve basis from among the waiting vessel for priority berthing.
- (ix) The PBS is available for General Cargo Berths only. However, the same can be made available for Iron Ore Handling Plant (IOHP) also if the MGT provider desires so and if there is no ship for mechanized loading of either Iron Ore or any other dry bulk cargo like Thermal Coal etc.

Shifting of such vessels to any other berth from IOHP either upon arrival of any ship for loading dry bulk cargo for using the mechanized IOHP facilities, or for draft requirement or for convenience of working will be on port account.

- (x) The participants in the scheme will be called MGT provider. In case the MGT provider fails to achieve the MGT target of 2 MMT during the FY, the port would encash the BG for the equivalent wharfage on the shortfall quantity of MGT calculated on the highest rate applicable to the cargo(s) handled by the MGT provider without any notice.

- (xi) In case the storage plots allotted to the MGT providers are full and not available to accommodate further cargo the request of the MGT provider to berth their vessel on priority will not be entertained.
- (xii) In addition to PBS for General Cargo Berths and the IOHP; both the berths of MCHP (CB-1 & CB-2) are also earmarked under the PBS for loading of Thermal Coal with an MGT quantity of 3.0 MMT for the FY-2016-17 w.e.f. 01.04.2016.

The participants in the scheme for MCHP will be called MGT provider and will have to enroll itself under the scheme immediately i.e. on or before 31.03.2016 to avail the said PBS. A MGT provider under the scheme has to furnish an irrevocable Bank Guarantee in PPT format for an amount equivalent to handling (unloading from wagon /stacking plus loading by Ship Loader) charges for the cargo under the scheme i.e. 3.0 MMT to be exported.

The participant of PBS for MCHP will have to nominate vessels, which can accept the following load rates to match the rate of loading of MCHP to avail priority berthing:-

Panamax Vessel – 3200 TPH

Handymax vessel – 2700 TPH

Any vessel not complying with the aforesaid stipulations will be treated as a non-PBS vessel.

If a vessel under the PBS, after having accepted the loading rate mentioned above, fails to maintain the same, such vessels will not be considered for priority berthing in the subsequent voyage.

- (xiii) To keep one Coal berth at a time for berthing of vessel of Thermal Coal exporters and who are enrolled under the Priority Berthing Scheme. Berthing of vessel in other Coal berth will be done as per the seniority of arrival of the vessels. In case the vessels of Thermal Coal exporters who are enrolled in the Scheme is not available for berthing then berthing of non-MGT vessels will be done as per the seniority of the vessels.

- (xiv) In case of any dispute, interpretation of Chairman PPT will be final and binding on all parties.
- (xv) PPT reserves the right to shift any vessel under the PBS berthed at any berth if the ship fails to achieve the rate of loading/unloading stipulated by PPT to any waiting berth or to roads. For such shifting, charge will have to be borne by the MGT provider.
- (xvi) Any delay by any of the MGT provider in making application for the PBS by the schedule date i.e. 31.03.2016 can be condoned by Chairman, PPT.

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